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Dear Mr. Musgrave:

This responds to your request dated, October 10, 2013, to INTERPOL Washington, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act for information concerning any guidance, memo, protocol, directive or other document (or segment of another document) written by or for the Chief FOIA/Privacy Officer that provides departmental application of FOIA exemption 5 from 1990 to present.

We received your request on October 10, 2013. Please refer to the above FOIA number assigned to your request in any additional correspondence.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

A search of the INTERPOL Washington system of records and administrative files produced no records. Since we located no records, either no records ever existed in our system of records, or if a criminal investigative record existed in the INTERPOL Washington system of records and the criminal investigation was closed on any date up through 1999, those records would have been destroyed and would no longer be available for retrieval. You may be interested to know that INTERPOL Washington investigative records are retained only for a period of seven (7) years from the date a case is closed.

If you are not satisfied with INTERPOL Washington's action on your request, you may appeal by writing to:


Co-Director  
Office of Information Policy  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Suite 11050  
1425 New York Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530-0001

You must make your appeal in writing and it must be received by the Office of Information Policy within 60-days of the date of the letter denying your request. In addition to mailing your appeal, you may also submit your appeal through the OIP eFOIA portal at <http://www.justice.gov/oip/efoia-portal.html>. Both the letter and envelope, or the email should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Gordon Johnson at (202) 616-0201.

Sincerely,

Shawn A. Bray  
Director

By:   
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